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With the entry of the four executed counterpart Declaration and Power of Attorney--Patent Application forms and this letter, applicants believe that all requirements have been completed and request the further processing of the above-identified application.

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